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## **ABSTRACT**

A modular jack connector assembly comprising: (a) a dielectric housing having a front and rear orientation and defining at least one receptacle adapted for receiving a mating plug; and (b) a plurality of contacts disposed in the housing, each contact being secured to the housing at a rear portion thereof, each contact extending forward from the rear portion to a free end such that a portion of the contact electrically connects with a mating plug when the mating plug is received within the receptacle.